

DMOC READOUT - FEB 20

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Lengthy DMOC discussion today. If anyone needs/wants the more detailed flavour on discussion, let me know, but here is my higher level readout.

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- Agenda: Two things today: Ops Update + s.39

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- Operational Updates:
 - o RCMP - Leaked chats of RCMP musical ride - looking into those incident - take allegations seriously. Have issued media lines.
 - o Ottawa - lots of progress made, majority of sites in Ottawa now clear. Vehicles cleared from Sir John A McDonald and mostly Kent street. Wellington cleared. As of earlier, OPS says 191 arrests and 103 charges from mischief to assault peace officer since operation began. Smoke grenades/fireworks located in vehicle. Also reports of mid-range weapon deployed. Protester injured in separate incident. Internal investigations into these two incidents. OPS says 57 vehicles removed from secure zone. Held for 7 days before they can be picked up. Focus today on clearing protesters south of Wellington and reinforcing barriers. Protesters now at Bank and Sparks and advised arrested if don't leave. Will continue to wear armed tactical gear but focused on de-escalation. Some indication that protesters staying in secure zone. Looking into that. Question of how we hold hotels accountable. Still a lot left to do.
 - o On Economic measures, as of 220pm, 57 entities (18 ind, 39 vehicles) 206 accounts frozen/about to be. 196 with 10 proactive. Posted on blockade website and updated as appropriate.

- o In downtown core, dismantling site at coventry, need 2-3 days to leave.
- o OPP continues to monitor Mecalfe, Embrun, Arnprior.
- o 1184 RCMP personnel deployed from across Canada.
- o Across Canada - convoys continue. POEs and legislatures remain targets. All POEs are open. Pacific Highway reopened last night. Small demonstration remained peaceful. Major demonstration at assembly in Quebec City. Expect it to continue today. Some arrests. Protest also in Toronto.
- o David (CSIS) - investigations s.38

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 Continue to investigate, not just focused on initial targets. Potential for risk of lone actors. Most significant issue is change of IMVE landscape overall.
- o Michael (TC) - NOTAM over SASK has been lifted.
- o Paul (PSPC) - lots of fencing going up. Old fencing moving around as directed. Doing some work on short/medium/longer term issues on precinct security.
- o Francois (DOJ) - tracking 3 litigation and waiting for Kenney's. Case management conference Tuesday.
- o Cindy (GAC) - on US side, Senator Cruz amplified fake news of death of protesters in Ottawa. We reached out and he deleted retweet. Authorities in US preparing for prospect of convoy to Washington DC for State of Union Address on March 1. New Mexico member of congress introducing leg to temporarily grant asylum to protesters.
- o Wayne (CAF) - yesterday media relations inundated for calls for military intervention against police. Tracking numbers and will share them.
- o Discussion: Focus on whether protesters seem to be regrouping, or abandoning efforts; whether seized vehicles can be sold, per comments made by Mayor of Ottawa and whether commercial licenses, registrations have been suspended.

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